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LOCAL LANGUAGE SOFTWARE
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the role of Union and State Government to develop/promote useo f local language software at all levels so that information technology literacy percolates to the masses;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard; and

(c) the steps Union Government propose to take in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN)

(a), (b) and (c): Union Government encourages development/promotion of the use of local language software with objective of spreading IT to masses. This is done by way of promoting requisite language technologies through various Research & Technology Development projects. Recently Resource centres for Indian Language Technology solutions have been set up covering all the official languages under constitution. State Government can benefit from the technologies thus developed. They have separate State level scheme to percolate IT literacy to masses.